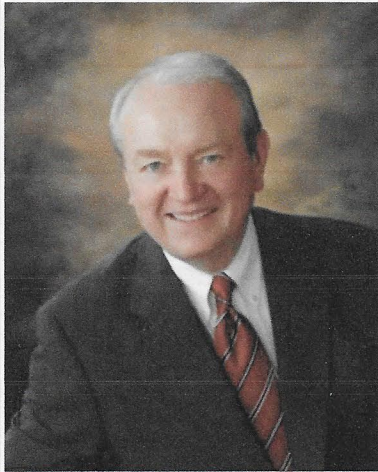


# Wanek Reed Stein

December 10, 1940 ~ October 10, 2023

(age 82)



Boise businessman, Wanek Stein, passed away with no fuss on October 10, 2023. He was born to Wanek and Vivian (Reed) Stein and lived his entire life in Boise with the exception of a few wanderings in the 1990's.

Sports were a major part of his life. He excelled in track and basketball in high school but will be remembered for scoring the winning touchdown with only seconds to go in the first Borah-Boise game in 1958. It was bittersweet for him because he was transferred to Borah for his senior year and was playing against his former teammates.

Wanek graduated from the University of Idaho where he was affiliated with Sigma Nu. After a short stint in the military at Fort Lewis, he joined his father's insurance agency. He was a past President of the Bronco Boosters, a member of Hillcrest Country Club, and the Arid Club as well as a coach for the Detroit Deisels, a football team to teach skills to young players.

Wanek had a charming personality and was a good salesman. He once bought 72 bottles of wine in California. Packed in 12 boxes, he had a problem carrying them onto a flight back to Boise. Wanek's solution...he took the boxes to the boarding area and wore a sign around his neck "Ask me about free drinks on this flight." A passenger who would carry one of his boxes on the flight would get his drinks paid for by Wanek. All 12 boxes made it to Boise.

Wanek is survived by his sister, Shelly Arbuckle of Whitefish, MT and two former wives, Katie Gray and Trissy Best.

A Celebration of Life will be 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Hillcrest Country Club on November 3, 2023.

## Services

### SERVICE

Friday

November 3, 2023

11:30 AM

Hillcrest Country Club

4610 W. Hillcrest Dr.

Boise, ID 83705

### CEMETERY

Morris Hill Cemetery

317 N Latah St

Boise, ID 83706